

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 20 as follows:

By the term "approximate spheres" is meant herein a shape of spheres having a sphericity of at least 0.6 wherein the true spherical degree is determined by a ratio of the major axis (D_L) and the minor axis (D_S) of the granules, i.e. (D_S / D_L).

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 23 as follows:

In general, the liquid containing the cocoagulation product of silica and rubber obtained according to the above process has a solid concentration of 2~20% by weight and the particle diameter of the cocoagulation product in the liquid is preferably 50~5000 [$[m\ \mu]$] μ m, preferably 80~2000 [$[m\ \mu]$] μ m. A detailed explanation is given hereinafter on the liquid containing the cocoagulation product of the silica and the rubber.